
City of Carthage



Public Safety Committee – Minutes

Meeting Date: June 15, 2020

Meeting Location: Virtual Meeting

Call to Order: Chairman Harrison

Time Called to Order: 5:30pm

Attendance:

Chairman Harrison, Councilman Snow, Councilman Barlow, Councilman Thompson, Chief Williams, Chief Dagnan, Morgan Housh, Tom Short, Mark Elliff, Abi Almandinger, Kip Smith,

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Snow made the motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as written. Motion passed.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

1. Mark Elliff is requesting streets to be closed and vacated as past years for the Maple Leaf on October 16, 2020; the night before the Maple Leaf Parade. Attached are the outlined streets and times. This year the vendors will be staging at the First Christian Church parking lot before bringing them up to the Square. The Chamber will continue to monitor the current situation with the Coronavirus and work with Chief Williams and Chief Dagnan. They have set a date of September 1st as the final day to know if the Maple Leaf festivities will continue or be canceled for the year. Councilman Snow made a motion to approve the street closures and vacate streets for Maple Leaf as in years past on contingency that the festivities will be held. Motion passed.
2. Mark Elliff is requesting street closures for the 2nd year of Music Under the Maples. The event will be held on October 10th at 2:00pm. He is requesting 7th street between Garrison and Lyon & Lyon Street between 7th and Chestnut. This is the same closures as Food Truck Friday. Councilman Snow made a motion to approve the street closures same as last year for the Music Under the Maples pending September 1st decision to continue with Maple Leaf festivities. Motion passed.
3. Abi Almandinger requested that city sidewalks be taken off the agenda. At this time, they are not prepared to discuss.
4. Abi Almandinger discussed with the committee how Vision Carthage would like to make the lighting of the Mayor's Christmas tree a bigger event. The Christmas Parade itself is put on by the Tech Center however, they are working with Mark Sponaugle, who runs the program, to make it a bigger event. A committee is working together on the event. They are requesting the Square in its entirety to be closed and vacated from 2:00pm to 8:00pm on Monday, December 7, 2020 due to a series of activities they have planned to hold throughout that timeframe leading up to the Christmas Parade. The actual activities will start at 4:00pm. The committee discussed with Abi that she will need to check on liability insurance and she agreed to look into. Councilman Snow made the motion to approve the closing and vacating of the Square on December 7, 2020 from 2:00pm to 8:00pm for the Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting event pending there is proper liability insurance. Motion passed.
5. Daniel Comer was not able to make the meeting so Chief Dagnan presented what he knew to the committee on the Maple Leaf Car Show. Daniel sent an email explaining what he was requesting to Chief. The Maple Leaf Car Show Cruise Night will be held on Friday October 16,

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2020 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. He is requesting the use of Grant Street from 2nd Street to 4th Street from Howard to Lyon & S Main from 3rd Street to 4th Street (the East, North, and West sides of the Square). The committee discussed the event and how it has taken place for multiple years but would like to make sure that all details are fully worked out and everyone has complete understanding of how the event is to flow. Councilman Seth Thompson made the suggestion to get with Daniel and discuss the flow and few concerns of the committee. The committee agreed that it was a good idea and tabled the item. Chief Dagnan will get with Daniel and report to the committee. No motion was made.

6. Kip Smith spoke with the committee regarding the 2nd Carthage Paddle Battle. Kip is requesting the same as last year. The event will be held on Friday July 24th and Saturday July 25th. He is requesting the placement of traffic barricades at two designated pointed points for duration, the Fire Department to bring rescue boat and monitor the races, police officers on Friday for the Food Truck and live music from 7:00pm to 12:00am and Saturday from 12:00am to 3:00pm due to the sale of beer, and also suspend noise ordinance on July 24th from 7:00pm to 12:00am. Councilman Snow made a motion to approve the Street closures, closure of the park on Friday July 24th from 7:00pm to 12:00am and Saturday July 25th from 12:00am to 3:00pm, have police and fire presence, and noise ordinance as requested. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Staff reports

a. Fire Department

- Chief Williams received the bid for the washer/extractor for Station 2. It came in under the approved amount for City purchasing so Chief Williams and Tom Short could approve it. The washer has been ordered.
- The new engine is in process
- PPE (personal protective equipment) and SCBA has been ordered to be cleared on this year's budget.
- Due to the spike in COVID-19 cases, both CFD stations have went back to lock down and separation.
- Updated the committee on COVID-19 numbers and monitoring. The CFD currently has proper PPE at the time.

b. Police Department

- Chief Dagnan updated the committee that even with the Governors opening of the State, the CPD is going on possible COVID calls as well and currently have proper PPE at the time.
- The CPD went back to sending out updating videos for the Council on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays.

ADJOURNMENT – Councilman Snow made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed.

Next Meeting Date: July 20, 2020

Next Meeting Location: TBD

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